

COUNTRY East Germany 25X1 REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC KVP Division 1916 Oranienburg II

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1 [REDACTED]

DATE OF CONTENT 18 April to 21 May 1953

DATE OBTAINED 25X1 [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 1 July 1953

REFERENCES

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

25X1 1. During the period from 18 April to 21 May 1953, [REDACTED] the KVP unit
 25X1 stationed in Oranienburg had the designation Division 1916 Oranienburg II. On 21 May,
 the unit had a strength of 400 officers and 1,200 NCOs and personnel. The unit came to
 Oranienburg from Grossenhain, leaving in Grossenhain only a quarantined collecting
 point.¹

2. On 18 April, 40 officers arrived at the unit from all regions in East Germany. On 8 May
 the unit took over a section of the former Sachsenhaus, concentration camp, which was
 in desolate condition. The troops on the same day started summer training which was
 scheduled to include practices at regimental and division level up to 3 days' duration.

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4. On 21 May, the 1st Inf Regt numbered 83 officers and 203 NCOs and personnel. Headquarters officers included:

Captain Servling (fnu)	commanding officer
Senior Lieutenant Kugler (fnu)	PR officer
Senior Lieutenant Schoene (fnu)	chief of staff
Senior Lieutenant Kluge (fnu)	supply officer
Senior Lieutenant Schiller (fnu)	party secretary

The regiment was armed with 12 medium mortars, 9 medium and 35 light machine guns, 85 submachine guns, 115 carbines, and 74 pistols and had 12 Henschel trucks and 1 BMW sedan.

5. The unit received 14 T-34 tanks and an undetermined number of SP tanks during the period of observation.²

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- 25X1 1. [] Comment. The information rather safely indicates that cadre unit []
25X1 is to be brought to full division strength. The quarantine collecting point is
25X1 a collecting and processing point for recruits.
- 25X1 2. [] Comment. This information also indicates that unit Oranienburg II is to
be brought to full strength. Concordant information by deserters indicated that
the unit is not assigned to any TV (army group).

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